

NEWS RELEASE

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SUBJECT: NPD Investigating Armed Robbery on Tyre Avenue

NPD is investigating the armed robbery of a University of Delaware English Language Institute student that occurred today at approximately 2:30pm on Tyre Avenue just south of East Main Street. The victim was walking north on Tyre Avenue holding his cell phone when he was approached by a black male suspect. The suspect displayed a handgun and demanded the victim's cell phone. The victim complied, and the suspect then ordered the victim to go southbound down Tyre Avenue. The suspect then fled the area, possibly towards Main Street.

The suspect is described as a black male with a black shirt (possible jacket) and black basketball shorts, large build, approximately 5 feet 8 inches to 5 feet 9 inches, 25 to 30 years old with a full beard.

No surveillance footage is available at this time.

Anyone with additional information on this incident should contact Detective Morgan Fountain at 302-366-7110 ext. 133 or morgan.fountain@cj.state.de.us. You can send an anonymous text message tip by texting 302NPD and your message to TIP411. Information can also be provided anonymously to Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at www.tipsubmit.com where a reward may be available.

The Newark Police Department affirms that all defendants are presumed innocent until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

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